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HOUSE BILL 501

48TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2007

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AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION; INCREASING THE LENGTH OF THE SCHOOL YEAR
FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Section 22-8-9 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1967,
Chapter 16, Section 63, as amended) is amended to read:

"22-8-9. BUDGETS--MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS.--

A. A budget for a school district shall not be
approved by the department that does not provide for:

(1) a school year consisting of at least [~~one
hundred eighty~~] two hundred ten full instructional days or the
equivalent thereof, exclusive of any release time for in-
service training; or

(2) a variable school year consisting of a
minimum number of instructional hours established by the [~~state~~

underscoring material = new
~~[bracketed material]~~ = delete

1 ~~board]~~ department; and

2 (3) a pupil-teacher ratio or class or teaching
3 load as provided in Section 22-10A-20 NMSA 1978.

4 B. The [~~state board~~] department shall, by rule,
5 establish the requirements for an instructional day, the
6 standards for an instructional hour and the standards for a
7 full-time teacher and for the equivalent thereof."

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